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Column One By David Courtney

BRITAIN is in a fix, "Investig" says so. The London correspondent of *The Jerusalem Post*, wagging his finger at Sir Anthony Eden, says so. Even the Opposition in the House of Commons is reported to think Britain and America and Eden, is in a fix. If there are plenty of people who think Britain is in a fix there are as many others who would dearly like to put Britain in a fix. Slogans condoning the still United Kingdom to the devil are splashed on walls from Singapore to both sides of Jerusalem (there was one scrawled by Communists on the British Consulate walls in the Israeli half of the city the other day) and from the home of the Paphian Venus to the kravals of Africa.

Sir Anthony Eden, "Time" Magazine tells that when Sir Winston Churchill came back from his holiday a few weeks ago he was asked how he felt. Gruffly the old man replied: "Fine. Very fit. Got to be Anthony's getting old."

POLITICS, mafis and the journalists' touch aside, I suppose Britain is in some kind of fix. The Middle East has not moved the way she wanted it to move. For that matter, who's way has the Middle East moved? Thanks to some measure to Britain the countries of the Middle East have been moving their own way.

Algeria, Egypt, Sudan, which has not been a way pleasing to anybody (except, perhaps the Russians), or profitable to themselves. Still, it is their own way as far as any nation can go its own way nowadays; and by all accounts every nation has the right to go that way.

THE new British Foreign Secretary, Mr. Selwyn Lloyd, has therefore called to London the Queen's envoys to the Middle East, to hear at first hand what they have to say about their advice. The assumption that Britain's diplomats study their diplomatic domains through an eye-glass of prejudice and advise the Secretary of State through their top hats, may not be correct. Another assumption is that they are intelligent men for the most part as capable as any other of analysing a situation accurately and of conscientiously any other in setting their analyses before their Government.

THE question, I suppose, is whether Mr. Selwyn Lloyd and the Prime Minister will know what to do about it when they have heard the envoys' analyses. Certainly they will be better able to form an opinion of their own and better able to lay down, or at least to draft out, a policy at once comprehensive and compassionate. For some time there has been no defined policy of which sense could be made by an objective student. But Mr. Selwyn Lloyd, who may not be a genius, is not a fool either and may be able to work out with his chief, something worth talking over when the two men go a little later this month, to Washington.

YESTERDAY all America is in a fix, too. The Middle East countries are the kind of countries that are always putting other countries in a fix as it is a major objective of Soviet Russia to put Britain and America in fixes, naturally Soviet Russia is doing everything it can to help the Middle East process. That must be stopped. A report from Washington in yesterday's paper said that the CIA has begun a "prior review of policies and trends in the Middle East and Asia to check increasing Soviet diplomatic infiltration and neutralist activities."

THE Selwyn Lloyd conference and the Washington "prior review" should together bring up before the heads of the two Governments fresh facts, at any rate fresh deductions, from those same facts; and out of these a clearer and more forthright policy.

Jerusalem, January 4.

CONGRESS BODY ASKS EASING OF TRADE BARS WASHINGTON, Thursday (Reuters). — A Congressional subcommittee has called on the Administration to ease U.S. trade restrictions, including repeal of the "Buy American" Act under which domestic firms are preferred to foreign.

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Centre-Left Bids For Leadership Of French Gov't

Eisenhower Urges Aid On Long-Range Basis

WASHINGTON, Thursday (Reuters). — President Eisenhower delivered today, appealed for special authority for programmes of economic aid to non-Communist nations, for a period of years.

The message outlined Mr. Eisenhower's proposals for legislation in the last year of his administration before the November elections.

The President put his proposals for a long-term foreign economic aid programme in this way: "In order that our friends may better achieve the greater strength that is our common goal, they need assurance of continuity in economic assistance for development projects and programmes which require a period of years for planning and completion.

Long Commitments

"Accordingly, I ask Congress to grant limited authority to make long-term commitments for assistance such projects to be fulfilled from appropriations to be made in future fiscal years."

The President said that the Big Four Conference in Geneva last July had held out promise of moderation in the bitterness of word and action which tends to generate conflict and war. But he added that the later Big Four Conference between the Soviet and Western Foreign Ministers had "demonstrated conclusively that the Soviet leaders are not yet willing to create the indispensable conditions for a secure and lasting peace."

Reviewing American policy in Asia, he said that the U.S. would continue to give help to nations struggling to maintain their freedom against the threat of Communist coercion or subversion.

Easing Immigration

Mr. Eisenhower also recommended sweeping revisions in the McCarran-Walter Immigration Act. He proposed that the number of persons admitted each year to the U.S. should be based on the latest census in 1950, and not on the census of 1920. He also said that provisions should be made to allow for greater flexibility in the use of quotas, so that if one country did not use its share, the vacancies could be available for the use of qualified immigrants from other countries.

The President said that he would submit detailed recommendations for the U.S. to the Conference on Humanitarian and Social Conditions in some cases.

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Jordan Cabinet To Stay on Temporarily

Tito, Nasser Confer On Middle East

King Hussein of Jordan yesterday afternoon asked Premier Ibrahim Hashim to remain at the head of his caretaker Government for a few more days, pending arrangements for the formation of his Cabinet. He will form a new Cabinet. Resignation of the temporary Government was expected to be announced soon.

The request came after a five-hour meeting of the Cabinet yesterday to discuss the resignation, following the Supreme Constitutional Council's decision on Wednesday, which declared that the Parliament dissolution on December 19 was illegal.

The Hashim Government was formed on December 21 solely to supervise the parliamentary elections. Reports yesterday said it was expected that Sami Rifai, Deputy Premier and former Premier, would be named to succeed Hashim.

Minister of Interior, Omar Matar yesterday banned a political mass meeting scheduled for today. Large reinforcements of Arab Legionnaires and police were brought into Amman yesterday.

Burns, Tekoa Discuss Outstanding Matters'

Jerusalem Post Reporter

TEL AVIV, Thursday. — A crowded meeting of the Histadrut Executive and leaders of all the country's trade unions were addressed by the Prime Minister at the Histadrut Executive building here today. Mr. David Ben-Gurion, clad in shaki attire, spoke on the national situation.

The original purpose of the meeting, final discussions and vote on wage policy, has been postponed until next Tuesday so as to give the parties time to crystallize or reconsider their stand on the question.

The eighth Histadrut National Conference is definitely to be postponed from January 17. Mr. M. Namir, A.R.K., Secretary-General of the Histadrut, declared.

The new date is to be fixed by the Central Committee on Sunday.

At the opening meeting stood in memory of Ben-Zion Gotlieb (Gettler), Director of Histadrut cultural activities in Jerusalem, Ross Lichtenstein, of the Chamber Theatre, Yosef Regay, Director of Keren Hayesod, Yaakov Zlotky, leader of the Akiva League Council, and Uri Ilan, on the first anniversary of his death in a December 1955

son. (Uri Ilan Wood — Page 2)

Israel Denies Getting Obsolete British Tanks

BRUSSELS, Thursday (Reuters). — The Israel Legion in Brussels today denied allegations that the obsolete British tanks were destined for Israel or were acquired by her.

They were seized at Antwerp

directly on the Egyptian ship, Al Kahira, and their destination was Egypt, the Legion said in a statement.

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H. Sonnabend, Ashkelon Mayor, Dies Suddenly

ASHKELON, Thursday. — Dr. Henry Sonnabend, Mayor of Ashkelon, died here suddenly at 4:30 this afternoon at the age of 62, the result of a heart attack. He was waiting in his office to meet the Director-General of the Ministry of Interior, Mr. Y. Heled, and the Negev District Commissioner, Mr. I. Vardimon. He went out into the hall, where he collapsed. All efforts to revive him failed.

Dr. Sonnabend was born in Poland in 1890. He graduated from Heidelberg university, where he received the degree of Bachelor of Engineering and then continued his studies at Padua University in Italy, where he obtained a doctorate in sociology and anthropology. After serving in the British Army of the Witwatersrand during World War II he served as a Major in the British Army in Africa, and then as Second-in-Command of Psycho-logical Warfare with the U.S. Army in Europe.

The U.S. is ready to do its part to ensure peace in the Middle East, the President said, to make the "contributions necessary to achieve peace in the Middle East."

In another reference to the Middle East, the President listed the formation of the Baghdad pact as one of the accomplishments of the Western security system in the past year.

Turning to recent Soviet moves in the area, he said they are hardly compatible with the reduction of international tension.

Eban Sees Allen On Request for Arms

WASHINGTON, Thursday. — The Israeli Ambassador, Mr. Abba Eban, today sought action on his request for Number 16 arms purchase application in a 75-minute session with the American Secretary of State George Allen.

Mr. Eban related Israel's growing concern at the imbalance of regional military strength as a result of Egypt receiving a heavy flow of munitions from both Soviet and British sources. He stressed to Mr. Allen the need by Israel for arms for legitimate self-defence.

British tank shipments from Liverpool to Egypt were evidently "quite an official business," he told reporters as he emerged from the meeting. He declined to say whether he was optimistic that the U.S. would agree to Israel's request.

Asked if Israel was pleased by the President's State of the Union message today, Mr. Eban said he was pleased by any announcement that envisaged armament, but added that the continued supply of arms to the Arabs was not conducive to such a policy.

He also said that the arms list had priority today as an aim of Israeli diplomacy.

(INA, Reuter)

12 Languages

Dr. Sonnabend was a man of wide knowledge. He spoke 12 languages fluently and had a deep understanding and appreciation of art, history, music and many other subjects apart from town planning.

He is survived by his wife Freda, a son and a daughter in South Africa, and a brother in Bulawayo.

Services were held yesterday at the Beit Ha'am Community Centre here. The funeral is to take place at 1 p.m.

SYRIANS FIRE ON KIBBUTZ FLOCK

The Israeli Army spokesman announced last night that a Syrian Army position opened fire during the noon hours yesterday at an Israeli flock and shepherds of Shear Yashuv, south-west of Kibbutz Dan in Upper Galilee.

The latter course is naturally supported by Conservative peers, including the "Telegraph,"

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Tories Alarmed by Barrage Of Anti-Eden Criticism

Undercover Party Revolt Seen

LONDON, Thursday. — Alarm struck Conservative Party leaders today as Sir Anthony Eden, the Prime Minister, faced attack after attack from friend and foe alike on his handling of the nation's affairs. Political quarrels reported an undercover Tory rebellion against his leadership of the party.

The barrages of criticism against the Prime Minister is being described by politicians as one of the biggest hammerings a British party leader has ever suffered so suddenly.

Political leaders tonight that the Commons now expects to debate the arms export issue on January 24, the day on which Members return from their month-long Christmas holiday.

The attacks that have shown on him non-stop for a week have given newspapers of every shade of political opinion, from the Labour left-wing to staunchly Conservative organs such as the "Daily Telegraph."

Today, the assaults came thick and fast — from front-page headlines, stinging cartoons, and biting editorials both in daily newspapers and weekly political reviews.

The blasts were led by the main circulation publications, "Daily Mirror" and official Labour "Daily Herald," and joined by Lord Beaverbrook's "Daily Express," the normally right-wing review, "Spectator," and the independent "Time and Tide."

Focus point of the present outbursts against the Premier and his Government is the issue of why Empress Elizabeth, who as a princess had been allowed to "leak" to the Middle East by way of Belgium, was reconditioned as fighting weapons.

Informed quarters said that elements in the Conservative Party had seized on the surplus arms shipments as a rallying point against Sir Anthony, and had won over the influential supporters of several Conservative newspapers to their campaign. But the identity of the anti-Eden Tories — and their motives — were not immediately known. It was not clear whether by attacking the Prime Minister they hope to edge him out after barely eight months in power or merely frighten him and thus win wider moderation from Downing Street. (Continued on Page 2 — Col. 2)

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Social & Personal

The President and Mrs. Ben-Zvi yesterday entertained to lunch Mr. Yaakov Zerubavel and members of his family, on the occasion of Mr. Zerubavel's 70th birthday.

President Ben-Zvi yesterday received the journalist Luis Aranha.

The Foreign Minister, Mr. Moshe Sharett, yesterday received Mrs. Lena Jeger, Mrs. *.

A reception for Mr. Charles Fawcett, the newly appointed head of the Mass Communications Division of the U.S.O.M., was given at the Z.O.A. House, Tel Aviv, yesterday, by members of U.S.O.M. and the American Embassy information staff.

ARRIVALS: Mr. Avraham Sholomsky from Poland where he attended the centenary celebrations in honour of the Polish poet Adam Mickiewicz, Mr. Robert Pollard from Munich, to take up his post as Vice-Consul at the U.S. Embassy; Mr. William M. Schmidt, of the Joint Distribution Committee in Paris, for a 10-day visit as guest of Malben; Mr. B. Davies, head of the E. Earl Film Company team, to make a documentary film of citrus-growing on behalf of the British firm of Cadbury's.

Dr. Aharon Brzinski and Dr. Yehuda Meir Bromberg of the Department of Gynaecology and Obstetrics of the Hebrew University-Hadassah Medical School and Dr. Walter Kornbluth of the Department of Ophthalmology have been appointed from the rank of Lecturer to that of Associate Professor. Dr. Nahum Ehrenfeld has been appointed Lecturer in Internal Medicine.

Mr. Edward J. Siff, the Treasurer of Marks and Spencer in Britain and Chairman of the Joint Palestine Appeal in that country, visited the Weizmann Institute yesterday.

The Franco-Spanish ballet of Jose Torres gave its first performance in Israel at the Rama Hall, Ramat Gan, last night.

Mr. Y. Almog M.K. and Secretary of the Haifa Labor Council, will address the Maritime and Economic Club on "Histadrut Maritime Enterprise" at 1.15 p.m. today. (Reservations, Tel. 2554).

The Jerusalem Chamber Music Society will hold its 4th concert tomorrow at the Belf Hall, 4 Rehov Balfour, Jerusalem. L. Penyvay, A. Penyvay, T. Yellin, J. Tai will play.

The Israel Philharmonic Orchestra management wishes to draw the public's attention to the fact that the Mozart Concert at the Otel Sheri Hall, Tel Aviv, tomorrow, Saturday night, will begin at 8 sharp.

Instruction in the latest ballroom dances will be given at 9.00 p.m. on Saturday at the Israel Touring Club, Jerusalem, Talbieh.

At the Eden Hotel Restaurant, in the centre of Jerusalem, where prominent people dine, where tourists meet, where Israeli society gets together. You may choose your favourites dish for each course at the fixed, reasonable table d'hoche price.

IMMIGRANT FAMILY.

FROM SHANGHAI
HAIFA. Thursday. — Mr. and Mrs. David Sassoan and their three children arrived from Shanghai as immigrants in the a.s. Messiaha here today. For the past eight years they lived in Shanghai, which they left two months ago, and had previously resided in England. They were received by the Anglo-Saxon Department of the Jewish Agency, and sent to Kiryat Haim.

The a.s. Jerusalem left for France today with 250 passengers, including the London Christmas Group and other pilgrims who spent Christmas here and in Jordan.

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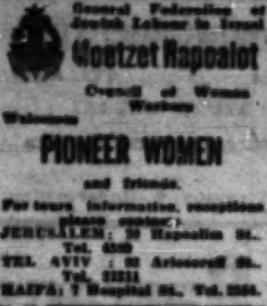
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Republican Choice: Fight with Foreign Aid or Guns 1956 is Challenge to U.S.

By PATRICK O'DONOVAN

WASHINGTON, (O.P.N.S.) — AMERICAN foreign policy has been through the tunnel. For a short time it was all but invisible but now it is back on the surface again, though it has not yet been clearly charted. But it has been through its private crisis of indecision and darkness, and its very sameness is only the result of compromise between bitterly held and opposite views.

Essentially, the crisis or moment of indecision was over how America should react to the aggressive tour of the Russian leaders in the East. The Asian tour of Khrushchev, Bulganin and Krushchev made it plain that a practical possibility between the two great nations, the diplomatic and political initiative lay with the Russians. The world has clearly tilted away from Americans. India, and to a lesser extent, Burma, chose to fete the Russians, who have done nothing for them, in a way they would never have done for the American President. Whatever Mr. Nehru had planned in his heart, the tour released a vast explosion of popular enthusiasm for those who expressed a naked hatred of the West. And the East as a whole appeared to approve. Even Pakistani protests against Russian chauvinism over East Pakistan were easily comparable with the sort of protests similar Western chauvinism would have aroused. What then should America do? Was a radical change in policy necessary?

Aligned with Portugal

The Administration's reaction was a cool, joint statement that they still had the initiative that nothing had been changed fundamentally, took no new policy was called for. As if to underline this attitude, Mr. Dulles issued a cool joint statement with Portugal's Foreign Minister that seemed to align the Americans with the Portuguese over the disputed colony of Goa.

But a section of the Republican Party was bitterly dissatis-

factory. They have earned themselves the title of "Young Turks." These are the Republicans who, like the Progressive Conservatives in Britain, believe that their political philosophy should be an aggressive, adaptable, missionary one. Chief of whom was Mr. Nelson Rockefeller, who was the special assistant for political and strategic affairs to the President. He and the support of Vice-President Nixon and of the "intellectuals" of the party. He wanted a dazzling new foreign aid programme that would again demonstrate the constructive goodwill of the United States. He has since re-

Opposed to this was the "old guard"; men who list their leader in the late Senator Robert Taft. For them Republicans are a solid American thing that will survive by its natural merits. They are men who have been starved of power. The policy of Wilson, Roosevelt, Administration is not their policy. There are men like Senator Knowland and McCarthy who in the last

HEARD ABROAD

To be a merchant of international hatred is perhaps the one degree less bad than to be a merchant of death. — Mr. Foster Dulles

Foreign Culture is a mortal form of colonialism. Those who support foreign culture are British-colonialists. — Al Asmar University magazine

Disparagement of the press is not widespread for our happiness. — British Press Council

I married a North African woman. All we have to do is to talk to North Africa. I want to talk to my wife. — M. Pierre Poujade

Are you the only dignity you have? Would you have dignity naked? — Film actress Irene Pons

All right-minded people are alarmed by the increasing number of those, from shop assistants to politicians, whose immediate aim is to be rid of us by sowing seeds of discontent. — Sir Edward Selby, in his presidential address to the Science Masters' Association

THE BABY-SITTER

By EPHRAIM KISHON

ONE vicious Tuesday evening, there was, as usual, a knock on the door of our flat, because we have no bell, as one can hear the knocking all over the place, except when one is on the balcony, but no whom would it occur to? to our ears, except to bring the Yank in the washing when it starts raining; that's done by my mother-in-law Mitti, who has come to Israel with Bernhard, who used to be an Austrian Zionist, and now both of them are living in the second room which we added to our flat, but its roof is leaking. In short, there was a knock. I opened the door and found the Toscanini doing a beautiful jig on my door mat.

"Sorry to disturb you, neighbour," Toscanini said. "We have a great favour to ask of you. A few minutes ago, we found two theatre tickets on the road, and we think we could do with a bit of cash, don't you agree?"

"I certainly do," I said. "Culture is like a baby: one has to nurse it."

"That's it," Mrs. Toscanini concurred. "Speaking of babies... you see, there's Yank... you understand... we thought perhaps that you could... but then, no, that would be too much to ask you... you have done for us."

And then started for home, but at that moment, my better self prompted me to intervene. "Stop!" I shouted after them. "I'm willing to look after the child, until you hurry back from the theatre."

The Toscanini's joy almost overflowed like the Yank in the water. They turned to kiss the fringe of my lumber-jacket, but I am against this on principle, because it leaves spots.

"For the past 19 years we haven't been at the theatre even once," Mrs. Toscanini gushed her gratitude all over me. "It happens so seldom that one finds front-row tickets. Thank you."



of grown-ups. With a tender, feathered movement I pulled the cover over his head, to keep him snug and warm, but thereby made his feet stick out, and he awoke.

"Dad," he said quite simply.

"I'm cold." What would a professional baby-sitter do in my place? I wondered and started looking for some heating implement. Behind a cupboard, I finally found a dust-covered electric heater.

"Sleep, Yank; sleep," I said to the little boy. "Soon it will be nice and warm here, my child. YEEEEEOWWW!"

The above eerie yelp left my lips, because by plugging in the heater, I had accidentally short-circuited into my body, and as I am a very good conductor (in my younger days I was in charge of the school orchestra), I could not let go of the heater.

In a matter of seconds everything went black, and I remembered a last thought flashing through my mind to the effect that here I was kicking the bucket without having seen "Marty".

When I regained consciousness, I found myself lying on the floor, a pillow under my head, and Yank applying artificial respiration. The child ran into the kitchen and prepared a cold compress, then pried open my mouth and squirted soda water into it.

The expert care had its effect, and soon I was able to sit up.

"You were electrocuted, dad," Yank explained and tenderly stroked my hair. "It's nothing, really. By tomorrow you'll have forgotten all about it. Shall I not tell you next of kin?"

"No," I said. "Don't tell this to anybody. Let it remain our secret, dear."

"Don't get excited," Yank thundered me. "Just sit down in that armchair until the trembling passes. I'll make some coffee."

He went into the kitchen again, put some water on the gas range, asked whether he could leave me alone for a few moments, and went to borrow a hot water bottle from the neighbour's house. When the coffee was ready, I had to drink it. He then made me lie down and lulled me to sleep with excerpts from the daily press.

When the Toscanini came home from the theatre, I was

readily able to tell him very, very much what they shook my hand. "We really don't know how to tell you how grateful we are..."

"Please, don't mention it. It was really nothing..."

Quite unexpectedly, Yank accosted me in the hall.

"Dad," the child said. "I get two pounds."

Two pounds are a lot of money. But, what with the nursing, I think it was a bargain.

(Ma'ariv)

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Holland's Sympathy for Israel Unshaken Through the Years

By ARTHUR SAUL SUPFER

THE interest of the Dutch people in the Israel yet-to-be has been an outstanding one since the conclusion of World War II. It was certainly fostered by the strong ties always maintained between Israel and three members of the Dutch Jewish community who had immigrated to Palestine, many of whom had high in the service of the Yishuv and were instrumental in all aspects of Dutch life since its



The Dutch Parliamentary Delegation at the Knesset this week. Seated from Left to Right: Mr. W. Stuikens (Delegation Leader), Mr. G.C.J.D. Kropman, Mrs. M.A.M. Klompm, Mrs. C.W.I. Witteveen Van Stoevagen, Miss

Left to right: Mr. Lior (Speaker's secretary), Mr. Jacob Greenberg (Deputy Knesset Speaker), Mr. J.A.H.S. Bruijn Slot, Mr. J.L. Nir (Deputy Knesset Speaker), Mr. P.J. Kapteijn, Mr. Benjamin Mintz (Deputy Knesset Speaker), Mr. M. Korthals, Mr. Haim Ariv (Deputy Knesset Speaker), Mr. Gideon Boissevain (Netherlands Minister to Israel), Mr. M. Rosset (Clerk to the Knesset).

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so much of Dutch thinking is based on the Bible and the Christians other than themselves.

The two countries have been mutually helpful in international affairs. Thus, in the United Nations Israel has shown a practical sympathy for the Dutch position and has used her influence in at least two countries in the General Assembly, despite the Arab refugee question the Netherlands representative has taken up a realistic position and opposed the call for the return of the refugees. The language in which this was couched at the last Assembly in November, 1955, was unequivocal, according to such a document made by Syria. Dr. J.J. de Kadt declared: "We (the United Nations) are not responsible for the war on Israel by the Arab states from which the refugee problem sprang." He went on to state that it was impossible to support the Syrian cause, which would mean putting "Israel's mortal enemies" within her territory.

Not One-Sided

This does not mean that Holland has condoned Israel's cause. Her attitude is much more profound than that. She starts with the assumption that Israel is a permanent entity whose continued existence can never be questioned. From the time Holland has made it clear to the Arab states that she is prepared to be friendly with them but will not allow such friendship to be bought at the price of enmity or coolness towards Israel. This is a point of view which other nations might have followed with profit to the cause of world peace and it has been understood perfectly by the Arabs.

It was indeed this point of view which was behind the statement of Foreign Minister J.M.A.H. Luns, when he declared two weeks ago: "It is my opinion that Israel is not only innocent in connection with her recent incidents but this does not change the fact that our Government's stand is completely to reject the Arab aim insofar as it denies Israel the right to exist. As a member of the United Nations, our country is in truth responsible for the continued existence of Israel as a permanent entity. We have had various opportunities in the United Nations of proving our warm sympathy for Israel and this sympathy will certainly not diminish now when the Soviet bloc bypasses not only our own government but also the rest of the Security Council and the General Assembly and places itself entirely against Israel with the hope of increasing tension in the Middle East."

Dutch-Jewish Community of Culture
From Psalms to Streetcars

By CH. BOASSON

INDIRECTLY Hebrew and particularly the Old Testament exerted an influence on Holland even at the cradle of her independence, nearly 400 years ago.

The author of the Netherlands national anthem, Catholic-born Marnix van St. Aldegonde (1540-1588), a pupil of Calvin and staunch supporter of William of Orange, was the first to make a Dutch translation of the Psalms, the first to translate the Psalms into the Dutch language.

When the Toscanini came home from the theatre, I was

readily able to tell him very, very much what they shook my hand.

"We really don't know how to tell you how grateful we are..."

"Please, don't mention it. It was really nothing..."

Quite unexpectedly, Yank accosted me in the hall.

"Dad," the child said. "I get two pounds."

Two pounds are a lot of money.

But, what with the nursing,

I think it was a bargain.

(Ma'ariv)

however, it was sincerely implemented. Relations between Israel and Holland have been distinguished by a uniquely deep understanding and have been developed in many important areas. Six trade agreements have already been concluded between the two powers, with the last one, in June, 1955, providing for an exchange of goods amounting to \$60 million. Holland, too, was the first European country to permit the State of Israel Bonds.

There have also been close cultural relations, which indirectly gave evidence of the sym-

pathy between the citizens of the two countries. Thus when the exhibition of Contemporary Dutch Art was shown in Tel Aviv in 1954, the attendance figures outran every record for the exhibitions of any foreign country, and when the Israel Philharmonic Orchestra visited Holland last year, it was received with great enthusiasm.

Government recognition de fac-

to did not come until February,

1949, but it was almost a whole year later, in January, 1950, before Holland followed Belgium and Luxembourg in establishing de jure relations.

When recognition did come,

however, it was at a moment

unwelcome to the Christian church.

Other publicists take a keen interest in the problems of Israel.

Mr. Marinus Boissevain

are well known in Holland; he is a contributor to van der Leeuw's

monumental standard work, "Religie in de Westerse Handelshaven" in which he has so much to say about the relations between the West and the East.

He is also a

key to this to this excellent relationship is to be found basically in the free community culture described elsewhere in this page.

But some also describe the

BACK-TO-WORK HOME FOR EX-T.B. PATIENTS

By Ruth Fleishman

TUBERCULOSIS of the lungs only a staff of 24, including two doctors and nurses, cater for 90 students. The professions taught are carpentry, mechanics, office work (typewriting, and book-keeping, dressmaking and cooking. Each course takes a year's time, and at the end of the year, each student has to pass a Labour Council examination which establishes his grade in a particular profession. Many of the students have top grades.

The qualified teaching staff do their utmost to give the students the maximum during the year. Very welcome and encouraging are the orders received from nearby factories in Hadera, or workshops in Tel Aviv, and Haifa, even during the training period. The workmanship of the goods produced is high, and the creative furniture shown to me can very well sell in any of the country's best shops. The zest and eagerness with which these pupils perform their work, account for the good results.

Altogether 430 students were trained at this Centre during the four years of its existence and 200 are now settled in stable jobs. During the past year, only five per cent of these students had relapses. Dr. H. Drash, Director of the Training Centre, feels that this small percentage justifies the setting up of this rehabilitation centre.

It is not always easy to find jobs for the students. Prejudice against former T.B. patients is still strong. Sometimes it requires personal connections to convince an employer to take on one of these students. Once em-ployed however, the former victim of tuberculosis proves to be a better worker, more intensive, and less absent than his colleagues.

I left the compound convinced that it is not enough to give a patient the best of medical care. To help him stand on his own feet, to earn his living, establish a family, is as holy and important a task as healing him.

A Recreation Home for Army officers in Mandatory times, "Neve Haim" became an immigrants' camp during the War of Independence, and was finally handed over to the Haganah by the Jewish Agency in 1951. Green lawns, sports grounds, shady trees, small cement houses where the students live and Swedish prefabs where they study and work cover a 22 dunam project.

CLINICAL REPORT ON T.B.

In an interview, Dr. E. Epstein, chief physician of Malben's Beer Ya'acov Tuberculosis Hospital, said that owing to the selective migration and the impossibility of immediate hospitalization and treatment of new cases, tuberculosis of the lungs has decreased in Israel. During Mandatory times, many tubercular patients could not be admitted to hospitals for lack of beds. The fine cooperation between the Anti-T.B. tuberculosis League, the Anti-T.B. Hospital, Hadassah and the Government Health Department, have produced remarkable results and during 1953-54 four T.B. Hospitals were closed down. Kupat Holim is still an "out-patient" but takes good care for its patients in the overall anti-T.B. fight.

As to the treatment, Dr. Epstein explained that Switzerland, Germany and Italy are still in favour of pneumothorax (pumping air inside the pleural cavity in order to col-



Innovation Live Koi Yisrael Orchestra Youth Concerts are now being given monthly at the Jerusalem Y.M.C.A. The first concert, held last week, consisted of chamber music and introduced the harpsichord. The overflow audience that turned up sang well for the popularity of the series of four planned for this season. The concert will be re-broadcast in the Children's Hour of Koi Yisrael.

Photo by Hirshkin

LEADERS

By a Special Correspondent

THE Herzlia school was never meant to be a hotbed for leaders. Dr. Birch, the Yeshiva, himself a graduate of the school, who never misses an opportunity to stress it, took special pride in re-asserting this position when he spoke at the recent 50th anniversary ceremony of the school.

It is Dr. Ben Yehuda's assumption that leaders are born, not made. A secondary education is the minimum which any intelligent man in this century must possess in order to be a useful member of society — and especially Israel society. Many of this country's leading personalities have attended the secondary school in Rehov Abud Ha'ar in Tel Aviv and it would appear that their personalities were not straight-jacketed by any discipline so as to make them mere cogs in a machine. Leaders are ordinary men with a better-defined personality.

The opponent of this thesis, Hirsch, Dr. Biram, the founder of the small school, and Ernest Simon, Professor of the Hebrew University. The controversy has been raging for nearly 40 years, rousing little attention from the general public as it gains in importance. Dr. Biram's insistence on discipline is proverbial. The word has a depreatory meaning in the mouth of a Herzlia "gymnast." This may make some sense for the fact that most Americans are graduates of the Reali, and that so many politically pro-

GREW UP AT HERZLIA

By a Special Correspondent

minent men have been associated with Herzlia.

The difference between the Herzlia and Reali schools' outlooks can be easily traced to the education received by their founders. For Dr. Biram, with his German background, in society each man is assigned a well-defined role — to which he must conform from his early days. The founders of Herzlia, with its present principal were all men with Eastern European backgrounds who received their education in Western Europe, mainly in Switzerland. Dr. Boger's magic maxim used to be "Know your land" and he cared little if pupils shouted somewhat too loudly during the sports lessons.

Indeed, we learned little in Herzlia in our time. It was considered the thing to do one's homework in the internal just before lessons started. It was sad to see one's Haifa relatives poring over Bible readings and mathematics during the holidays.

Walking down Jaffa Road in the reunion parade, one had the opportunity to meet some of one's old schoolmates — and many one's did not recognize. Were they "leaders"? Not in the sense that leaders are forever with special duties assigned by the plant management. One of one's classmates has become "just a mother of six;" a good pal is a clerk; another comrade is a schoolteacher. One boy has become a banker — he was always good at *kombinatsiot*. Another is now in the class is a District Prefect and another a District Judge. We can always slip into the collective when speaking of one's class — and also have the editor of a monthly and a Charge d'Affaires. And that the principal of a private school.

What they cherish most is the spiritual independence in which they were raised. They are just ordinary people, part and parcel of the whole lot. It is not their size, nor their fault, but it is somehow true that it is to many of them that other people look for guidance.

The most have been something in this old, undisciplined, noisy school, after all!

Training Badly Needed Cooks

By Paul Kohn

A FAMILY of four, including two children, can buy enough food for one day, containing 8,000 calories, for IL.27.20. That is one fact the visitor to the end-of-year exhibition of cooking held by the WIZO Vocational Secondary School at its "Bait Urugay" in Haifa, could have discovered.

The calorie-packed foods that go into the housewife's shopping basket for this sum include a kilo and a quarter of vegetables, the same amount of bread, a litre of milk, nearly a kilo of citrus fruit, half a kilo of other fruit, 160 grammes of fats, 360 grammes of meat. The protein content of your day's food is over 300 grammes. Gourmands might frown in doubt, but the girls of the school make do just on that and showed that once you have the "know how" you can really lay a table to make the family's collective mouth water.

At their exhibition, the girls proved that the kitchen does not evaporate artistic inspiration either. The variety to be seen, in no modest exhibition, was amazing. The girls who made salads that would not disgrace any Molly Lyons' "Salad Book," a fruit mixture in a scented out grapefruit was as tantalizing as anything a Parisian chef de cuisine could present. Pastries shaped like swans and a large variety of cakes would have delighted any Billy Bunter. Carp in jelly reminded us of where we live.

And did you know that eggplant could be turned into over 100 different dishes? Or that a guava contains eight times the vitamin C of an orange?

Los cheerful news for future husbands is that mothers today

BLUE TURQUOISE FROM KING SOLOMON'S MINES

By Hirschkin Post Reporter
In the footings of the ancients and you are sure to stumble on the earthy evidence of their glory.

So it was with Israhel Tudewitz who, along with the Army to Eilat and stayed on to find a place right on the spot, suitable for building houses in the vicinity and uncovered rich veins of turquoise under the surface of the earth. It is the same turquoise as was used in King Solomon's fabulous gifts to the Queen of Sheba when they met at the Red Sea port.

It took Mr. Tudewitz three years of patient search to find the vein of turquoise, a vein of 10 cm. to 10 cm. eight to 10 metres underground. Rubble has been washed down over the vein of stone for thousands of years. The 700 to 800 metre high hills of sand granite guard his search to the footings of the walls in King Solomon's Mines. But it took hard work and the firm belief that the jewels must be there, to muster the necessary persistence until they were uncovered.

Garnets have also been found, similar in quality to those found in Czechoslovakia. But at this stage, Mr. Tudewitz has turned his attention to the exploiting of the turquoise. Out of a ton of the raw material only 2,000 to 3,000 grams of the semi-precious stone is extracted. A pilot plant has been set up during the last two months and five workers are at work at an entirely new profession. Cutting and polishing turquoise is entirely different from diamond cutting, so that trained workers in this profession are rare. The stones are cut in two stages and then polished, and only as the work proceeds do they uncover their attractive shades of colour and graining. At present they are trying out the uneven cut — an original approach, hitherto not used in the cutting of turquoise.

Natural turquoise has up to now been found in commercial quantities mainly in Persia, but this source has been slowly drying up and the world is getting used to plastic fakes. To foster the development of this find, Mr. Tudewitz has set up a firm called "Mifal Hen Ha-Negev," which will train workers

to cut turquoise — the rough stones is taken through the various processing stages to the finished jewellery at bottom of the picture. The gems are now on exhibition at the Wizo shop in Jerusalem.

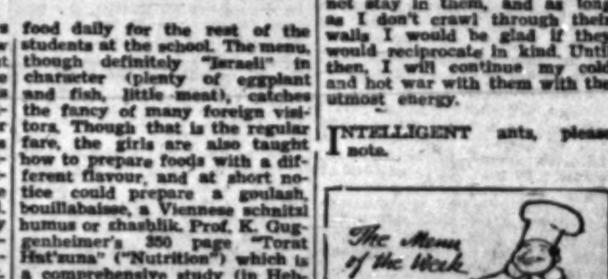
Photo by Harris

Mr. Tudewitz's first find at Eilat was a natural dry cement that can be used in the building of houses. "Hevrat Ophir" of which Mr. Tudewitz is technical adviser, is in charge of the exploitation of this raw material, and they are now producing a rough type of all the requirements for the building programme at Eilat, Beer Ora, Tinnis and Elie Radyan.

Practical as the cement may be, Mr. Tudewitz is much more excited by his find of the long lost semi-precious stones and only hopes that he can bring the "world of fashion back to wearing real rather than artificial stones."

TO get back to the ants. The children think it is unfair of me to chase them with D.D.T. and other discouragements. They say the ants were here first. This may well be, but they have their own homes, or so I have always been led to believe and I see no reason why they should not stay in them for as long as I do. I don't crawl through their walls I would be glad if they would reciprocate in kind. Until then, I will continue my cold and hot war with them with the utmost energy.

INTELLIGENT ants, please



SUNDAY: Vita Pie, Souffle Crepes, Vita Souffle with Cream, Vita Crepes from Vita Ice Cream Mix between two slices of Oats. MONDAY: Vita Souffle Noodle Souffle with Cream, Vita Souffle and Potatoes, Orange juice and Vita Arancini in Lemon Jelly. TUESDAY: Herring Salad, Smoked Meat, Caviar, Vita Pie (Vita Pie Souffle prepared with less water than usual). Baked Apples wrapped in dough and Vita Souffle. WEDNESDAY: Vita Mushroom Soup, Baked Carp, Vegetable Salad with Mayonnaise, Vanilla Jello, Vita Souffle with Cream. THURSDAY: Vita Fruit Souffle, Baked Brain and Green Salad, Vita Souffle Dumplings (made from Vita dried fruits). FRIDAY: Tomato Souffle with White Beans, Chicken in White Sauce (add Vita "Boston"), Beetroot Salad, Vita Pie.

SATURDAY: Baked Tibor Fish, Vita Boston Chicken Soup with Rice, Cold Roast Duck and Tomato, Honey Creme with Vita Arancini.

On Appeal!
Vita

Cereals as Side Dishes

By Molly Lyons Bar-David

ONE generally thinks of cereals as breakfast or supper dishes, and yet wonderful side dishes can be made of rolled oats, barley, rice, corn meal, cracked wheat (burghul) and semolina. Moreover, in Israel we have an additional cereal dish called "Orez On" which looks like rice but tastes different — and better. All cereals are health foods, being rich in Vitamin B (unlike, as sometimes occurs with rice, the cereal has had its coat of health polished off); they are highly nourishing and very satisfying cold side dishes. Use cereals in winter soups to give them body, flavour and food value. And also have them served up on their own with meat or fish, eggs, or cheese dishes.

Stuffed Meat or Fowl
My chicken ration at this month was a bird as big and as tough as a baby elephant, and I realized I had to dismember the fowl for the family dinners, and cook it under pressure. I hate doing this because there's nothing so exciting as a stuffed fowl brought to the table. I decided, therefore, to remove the meat for other meals and stuff the body which would just fit into my pressure cooker. The "stuffing" of Orez On, however, also needs pressure cooking, as otherwise the cooking time is far too long; and as a result I had a regular bird joint to carve at table, and the filling was ample for a generous and tasty side dish. You could, of course, make the same thing with cheap cuts of meat such as ox-tail, for example, but the meat here is that

the Orez On should cook along with the meat.

Stuffing: 1 cup Orez On, 1 cup minced onions, 1 chopped celery root, 1 diced carrot, 2 chopped onions, 1 tsp. salt, 1/4 packet margarine. **Meat:** or chicken soup powder or soup stock.

Put all in pressure cooker and cook for one hour. Serve hot as side dish.

Creamed Rice with Eggs

Au Gratin
This makes six generous servings. 1 cup. 1/2 cup. 1/2 cup.

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Maimonides' Code in English

By CYMAN KLEIN

Last Wednesday marked the 800th anniversary of the death of Rabbenu Meir ben Maimon through the initiation and execution of a number of projects designed to manifest a few facets of the great Jew's contributions to Jewish thought. Not the least of the Rambam's literary works is worthy of consideration unless it assigns a very important place, perhaps even the most important place of all, to his codification of Jewish law, the "Mishneh Torah," and it is appropriate, at the time of the anniversary, to call attention to the most completed project of the Rabinowitz Foundation at Yale University to issue an English translation of the whole of this famous Code.

"Mishneh Torah" is the Rambam's only major work to be written in Hebrew, a pure Mishnah Hebrew with a biblical flavour that is easy and delightful to read. All his other important works were written in Aramaic. With the insight which, as Jewish tradition relates, the Rambam superior to the Prophet, the Rambam himself expressed regret that other works of his had not been written in Hebrew, to circulate directly throughout the whole of the Jewish Diaspora instead of being confined to its Aramaic speech, and it is a fact that only those works which were afterwards translated into Hebrew, however defective, have survived to make their influence felt in Jewish life.

Law and History

Nevertheless, every now and again there occurs a special concentration of Jews in one country or the other. This however is both the spoken vernacular and the language in which literature is read, and it then becomes an important short-term interest of Judaism to make available to them in this vernacular the chief sources of Jewish law and thought. Such is the case now with the concentration of Jews in English.

MOSES PLAY IN PARIS

A growing number of plays with a religious subject have been performed on the present stage in the last couple of years. Could it be that a certain kind of public is bored with the adultery triangle in its different variations? Or is this renewed interest in religion due to man's disappointment with politics and the machine age? Whatever the explanation, the need of a certain void to be filled is perceived in all branches of literature, including the theatre.

In the past two years alone Paris has seen: Rameau's "Dialogue des Carmélites," "Port-Royal" by Henri de Montherlant, "L'Annonce Faite à Marie" by Paul Claudel, and Graham Greene's "Living Room," all of which were well received, and the present season has opened with a success: "Todes" by Marcel Pagnol (recently reviewed in these columns), and "The Firstborn" by the English poet Christopher Fry.

"The Firstborn" is a poetic drama, beautifully written and full of general implications. It tells the story of Moses who, wanting to lead his people out of Egypt, helps them to plough the land in the play only two are the death of darkness and the death of the firstborn as a last weapon sent by God to impel Pharaoh to let Israel go.

The play is centred around the figure of Moses, who, through suffering and hesitation, slowly grows to maturity. He is torn between two loyalties: his Egyptian upbringing and his Jewish inheritance. Moses has imposed a hard task upon himself, which in the process becomes greater than himself, until he can no longer stop the forces he has set working. He finds himself confronted with a tragic dilemma, as Pharaoh's son, Rames, whom he deeply loves, is doomed to death, too. His doubts expressed in a powerful image "I followed a light into a blindness" could become the symbol of any man's inner dualism, when his task as a leader demands his sacrifice as an individual.

Freed and Dictatorial
In contrast to the human, if complex, figure of Moses there is the character of Seti the Pharaoh, whose mentality is typical of any dictator. To him, the individual is not used in the achievement of a goal — in this case the building of a pyramid.

I have put men to a purpose who otherwise would have had not the least meaning.

And Moses replies:
Not the least meaning, except the meaning
Of the breath in your lungs, the mystery of existing

Stamp of the Week



Issued by West Germany, this stamp shows five people heading west, with their heads down as though carrying a strain. According to the inscription, the West Germans whose lands were attached to Poland after World War II, to make up for the loss of their former German lands, had to leave their homes and go to West Germany. And that is where the strong wind is supposed to have met them, the implication being that the West Germans had to leave the freedom of the West to stay where they were.

As stamp collectors in Western Germany look up for first-day covers, a new letter from the Committee of German-Americans in West Berlin reached the West German Postmaster General. The letter said: "Our people are very bright moments. Re-communicated."

No disaster at sea has shocked us as much as the end of the unsinkable ship" the "Titanic." Walter Lord has spent months of research, interviews, pictures, stories of effort and other research in an effort

speaking countries, and that is what makes the issue of an English translation of the Code of Maimonides noteworthy.

Unlikely as it may seem, the aim was to give an up-to-date account of the parts of Jewish law applicable to contemporary conditions of exile and foreign subjection, the Rambam's aim was at once both more limited and more ambitious. More limited, because he sought to reflect Jewish law not as it stood in his own day but as it was some five centuries earlier when the Babylonian Talmud was completed, and so the Rambam included only the few Geonic innovations which rendered a Talmudic rule obsolete in practice, and rigorously excluded nearly every other post-Talmudic development.

More ambitious, because he included all branches of Jewish law, ignoring for example the absence of a Temple in which to observe the sacrificial rites, or the status of an autonomous state capable of exercising the prerogatives and functions that the Rambam himself identified in the sources and collected together for the first time in the history of Jewish law. And so the Rambam's "Mishneh Torah" remains to the present day the most systematic, comprehensive and faithful representation ever to be compiled of Jewish law at any stage of its development.

For almost 1,500 years now, the study and development of Talmudic law has taken first place among Jewish studies, and until a century ago it was the great source of Jewish creative energy. Even now, although anyone who attempted to base a Jewish legal decision directly on the Talmud instead of on the current legal sources would be perpetrating a kind of "Karaites heresy" and would in all probability be in the wrong, conclusion into the bargain that the Talmud remains the most important source for our knowledge of the foundations of Jewish legal science and for the methods by which Jewish law is still developing. But, at a reasonable intellectual level, the Talmud is not very easy to master, and

there are purposes for which the tenets of the law are more important than jurisprudence. For these purposes, the Rambam's "Mishneh Torah" is still unrivaled, because he sought to remember that his opinion did not always prevail in practice.

The Yale Edition

The last six of the 14 books which make up the Code have already been published in English in the Yale Judaica Series under Professor J.J. Obermann as General Editor. Four of these volumes include the whole of Civil and Criminal Law, the other two dealing with two sections of ritual law, Offerings and Ritual Purity. The whole series will probably be complete in five or six years.

The translation of a legal work of this kind was bound to raise difficult problems of terminology and presentation, and it would be optimistic in the extreme to imagine that all of these have already been solved satisfactorily, and more than the entire Bible translation provided some solutions of the difficult problems of Biblical exegesis. But at all events the English-speaking world is now able for the first time to compare in detail Jewish law in 500 C.E. with contemporary Roman law.

Jews have never underestimated the achievements of Greek and Roman wisdom. But in the field of law and morals the great Jewish contribution as prophecy and one may venture to prophesy that the ultimate impact of a wider knowledge of Jewish law will be as revolutionary as was the impact of a wider knowledge of the Hebrew Bible.

JOSEPH STERN: MELONS AND MUSIC



From a recent exhibition at the Bina Gallery, Jerusalem

Indispensable Companions

By PHILIP TOYNBEE

VORACIOUS readers are too ready to sentimentalize about their books, and when they begin to call them "indispensable companions", we may well feel that the time has come to leave or to change the conversation.

But this, of course, is one of those openings to an article which heralds the immediate indulgence in the very fault which has been denounced. "I am not a snob" is the familiar opening of a snob's diatribe, and it is all too well known that some of my best friends are "Jews" is a remark which is made only by anti-Semites. I am, then, on the point of sentimentalizing about my own books — though I can hope, perhaps, that my warning will prevent me from their obvious redundancy. "Thank you, I've got a book," said the child, when offered a new one

for Christmas — and there are days when this seems a reasonable reaction.

I once knew a bookseller who

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Today's Postbag**THE WEATHER**

FORECAST: Intermittent showers. Outside for Shabbat: Partly cloudy to mostly clear showers. Mt. Carmel: A 6 B 9 C 10 D 11. Tiberias: 9 11 15 15. Haifa Port: 11 15 15. Nazareth: 11 13 14 14. Tel Aviv Port: 11 13 14 14. Lydda Airport: 11 13 14 14. Jerusalem: 6 8 10 12. Beersheba: 7 10 15 15. Beer Sheva: 7 10 15 15. * 4) Humidity at 8 a.m. 50% Max. temp. 21 Maximum yesterday. 5) Maximum temp. expected today.

THE MILLIONTH case of citrus to be exported through Haifa Port this season was loaded yesterday morning. The fruit has been sent to 17 countries. Four ships were loading fruit in port yesterday. They are to take 200,000 cases to Finland, Britain, Norway and Canada.

THE NESHEH cement company exported 155,875 tons of cement during 1955. Total cement output for the 1954 export of 154,364 tons, the company announced in Haifa yesterday. Exports made up 23.4 per cent of the total cement sales, compared with only 23.5 per cent in 1954. Last year, 32 per cent of the exports were sold against hard currency, compared with 14.3 per cent in the previous year.

A MEMBER of the Benny Ben- net Latin American band, Mr. Ronald Alfredo, reported the theft of his \$120 clarinet from the dressing room of the Zion Club in Ramat Gan after the Premier's there on Wednesday night.

A FORMER official in the Ministry of Agriculture, David Tarihi, who forged food purchasing permits and bribed another official to sign them, was sentenced to three months in prison and fined IL\$60 by Judge M. Kennet in the Tel Aviv District Court yesterday.

REPRESENTATIVES of the Histadrut and Herut associated municipal employees are to meet today with the Minister of Health, Mr. A. Wertheim, of the Ministry of Labour, to discuss the dispute over union recognition in the Tel Aviv Municipality.

NO PLANE to EILAT. **BEFORE SUNDAY** TEL AVIV, Thursday.—Air traffic to Eilat will not be resumed before Sunday, because additional engine faults have been found in the Arkia aircraft, it was learned from Arkia here today.

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His memory will always be cherished.

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MAJOR SMUGGLING BID FOILED AT HAIFA PORT

HAIFA, Thursday.—An attempt to smuggle into the country about IL\$50,000 of goods in the guise of personal effects was foiled here on Monday by the police and customs authorities. The goods carry customs and luxury tax dues of 150-200 per cent. A suspect was today remanded in custody for 15 days.

Suspicion was aroused when six cases, manifested as containing personal effects, arrived in the port. The shape and weight of the cases appeared unusual and, when one was opened, it was found to contain cloth. All the other cases were then inspected and the smuggled goods found in them.

The contraband consisted of a large quantity of expensive medicines, 15,000 Jap. radio valves, 500 Philips radio components, 19,000 metres of cloth, mainly printed summer dress material, brocade and upholstery materials.

Expelled from Germany, Faces Smuggling Charge

LYDDA AIRPORT, Thursday.—An Israeli citizen, Reuven Lavan, of Ramle, who was expelled from Germany, was arrested on suspicion of smuggling.

He entered Germany illegally about two years ago, despite the provision in his Israeli passport forbidding him to do so. During a search by airport police here, watches, photographic printing paper and other dutiable articles were found on him. He was released in custody.

DOCTOR SUSPENDED

HAIFA, Thursday.—A doctor at a large Kupat Holim clinic here has been suspended from duty for exploiting his position for his personal advantage, it was learned today. The doctor allegedly solicited a family under his care to visit him for private treatment and prescribed medicines for them which he said were not worth the price.

The doctor, on the other hand, has been under fire since he has been detained ever since he returned to Israel. Once out of jail, he will have to face his creditors.

HIGHER POSTAGE

FROM SUNDAY New postal rates for letters, internal letter forms, printed matter, commercial samples and internal and external express letters will come into effect on Sunday, the Post Office announced yesterday. Details are contained on Page 2.

IL 10,000 FALSE PRETENCE CHARGE

TEL AVIV, Thursday.—On charges of extracting about IL 10,000 on false pretences from some 200 merchants in Israel, Eliezer Ram Lavan, formerly Albert Blodin, was remanded here today by Magistrate Y. Barzilai. Lavan is said to have falsely presented himself as an Israeli representative of the International Tourist Service.

Monkeys for Anti-Polio Vaccine Due This Month

Some 50 monkeys to be used for the local manufacture of an anti-polio vaccine are expected from India the middle of this month. The Minister of Health, Mr. Y. Barzilai, announced yesterday at the bi-weekly Koi Yisrael press conference in Jerusalem. If the monkeys arrive on time, the first batch of vaccine will be ready by the spring, as reported in *The Jerusalem Post* on December 29.

Though this number will furnish only enough material for the production of a third of our requirements—50,000 doses—it is sufficient to inoculate all the children in the six months to three-and-a-half year age group, the most sensitive period.

The Ministry is also taking steps to ensure the extinction of the dread disease, the Minister said, and a special department for the polio-stricken has been established at Porat Yosef Government Hospital.

Dutch M.P.'s in Haifa

HAIFA, Thursday.—The visiting Dutch parliamentary delegation was received by the Municipal Council here this evening. Knesset Members, the District Commissioner, Mr. Y. Bergman, leaders of the minority groups and judges were among those present.

Major Abba Khoussay spoke briefly, mentioning "great nations in small countries." Receiving the visitors, Miss C. W. I. Wittstock van Stoeckel said that they had been deeply impressed by the life of Israel among the whole population, even recent newcomers.

Today, the delegation toured the town and also visited the Bens' Parents' Home which is being built by Dutch immigrants in Carmel. They also visited Kfar Julian, near Hadera, the Agudat Yisrael collective for backward children, to whom Dutch Jewry has contributed funds. Tomorrow they are to tour Givatayim and the Hula project.

MANDATE BONDS

The first prize of IL\$14,448 was won by number 610812 in the 20th draw of the fourth series of the Mandatory Bearer Bond lottery in Tel Aviv yesterday. In the 43rd draw of the second series, first prize of IL\$1,000 went to number 116190.

WHITE PAPER

(Continued from Page One) Government ought to give the public more facts.

"Nevertheless something has been allowed to happen that is clearly contrary to the British Government's policy and the Government has to take the responsibility until it can produce evidence that places it elsewhere," stated *The Times*.

The search for such helpful evidence is now being conducted with such energy that some people feel able to promise their readers that the forthcoming White Paper will enable the government to put to bed the Labourite kettle. In anticipation of this happy return to ordinariness political mud-slinging, a truce is being called by the popular press of both sides.

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THE Netherlands Parliamentary Delegation, which arrived in Israel at the beginning of this week and is currently touring the country, has been accorded an unusually warm welcome. Some of the reasons may be found in the community of interests between Israel and the Netherlands, to which special attention is given elsewhere in this issue. But in addition to these, observers in the Netherlands and in Israel will note certain unusually striking similarities in the political set-up. In both countries the influence of the religious parties on the political situation is weighty and immediate, and both lands have a number of splinter parties which reflect the tendency towards extreme individualism.

But there is an even more impressive similarity in the two countries, for in both democratic experience was born outside parliament and well before parliament existed. In Holland the first joint governmental enterprise from within began in the Waterschaps, the units which educated people for defence against floods and conquered lands from the sea. Israel began with an attempt to rescue neglected land from the desert and the State became a possibility only because men and women had succeeded so well in that endeavour that they drew not only the outlines of a viable state but also evolved forms of voluntary self-government, which, when the great historic moment came nearly eight years ago, could be converted overnight into a fully functioning State.

There are many lands in which, in recent times, Parliaments have been set up; but one of the features of our time is how many such legislatures have lamentably failed to function. Those of the Arab states, carved out of the late Turkish empire in recent years, are conspicuous examples, with Jordan just now giving ample proof of this.

The fact is that parliaments cannot function properly unless there is a keen awareness by the mass of the people of this kind of supra-parliamentary task of creating and building which was evinced by the Dutch people in their struggle for the security of their lands against the constant threat of the sea, and by Israelis in their incessant efforts for the conquest of the desert and the protection of their homeland.

THE tension in the Middle East has brought to these shores a number of investigators, comprising members of the House of Commons of various shades of opinion, American representatives, distinguished newspaper editors and the like who have come to find the facts. They are particularly welcome at a time when lack of precise knowledge has come to reinforce difficulties created by deliberate misrepresentation.

Among the impressions the visitors must carry away with them will be that of a small country which is intent upon peace—but not at any price—and the constructive development which goes with that hope; which is in no sense panicked at the possibilities of war and disaster, but is deeply disturbed by the drift of world affairs which pre-see danger not merely to this area, but the whole of mankind. When they cross into hostile neighbouring lands they will be able to contrast to see how in Jordan, for example, there is one main interest, to seek revenge against the Jews; no other cohesive national force and no attempt to solve such problems as that of the refugees, a problem of their own making—but by constructive means.

Perhaps as they move further from Israel's immediate borders they will find Arab lands with a greater variety of wider interests than mere revenge and will find that by encouraging those larger interests rather than seeking to appear their narrower ones, they may be able to discover some indications of the road to peace.

One thing is certain, as long as such visitors are our guests in Israel they will be free to go where they like, to do what they want and speak freely to whomever they wish, and to think about the problems of the world as they see fit.

State Dept. May Speed Arms Request

By JESSE ZEL LURIE
Jerusalem Post Correspondent

NEW YORK—

The Alsp Brothers will be surprised to learn that their syndicated column of Friday, December 28, (reported by cable on Jan. 3) which was attacking the State Department of "having no real Middle Eastern policy at all" and concluded with the prediction that an Arab-Israel war will break out within four months, has given rise to a hope in certain quarters that the State Department will soon approve a substantial portion, if not all, of Israel's "shopping list" for arms.

The explanation runs as follows: American military men are well aware of the strength and firepower of Israel's armed forces. They know that when, in the State Department, it is stated that Israel has the advantage over the Arabs, they did not mean that Israel had superior equipment. That Israel has never had. What they meant was that the superior training, tactics and plain old-fashioned guts of the Israeli soldier together with the little money he has made him made the Israeli forces, as in 1948, superior to anything the Arabs could put in the field.

All that is now changing rapidly. When Israel Meteor Egyptian Vampire not too long ago, one Israeli pilot brought down an Egyptian plane and the Russians are able to put Russian MiGs into the air, any good it must jockey one of the present outmoded French and British jets of the Israeli Air Force. The MiGs fly higher, the Israeli pilots are learning to beat them, and the Israelis will be sitting ducks for the more powerful MiG cannon.

Odys Too Great

The Egyptians are getting Stalin tanks from the Czechs and Centrists tanks from the British. The Israelis are getting something to match either of them. The Egyptians are getting submarine. The Israelis have none and have not asked for any; a submarine is too expensive. But they must acquire anti-submarine vessels. Otherwise the Arab blockade can complete the circle around the Suez Canal.

The State Department knows all this. So when the State Department tells the Alsp Brothers that it is even money the Arab-Israel war will break out in four months, they must envision the possibility of Israeli defeat. It is not believed that the American government will knowingly permit Israel to be wiped out for lack of modern arms. If this is not wishful thinking, a large amount of Israel's request for arms, already certified by the Pentagon as being available for purchase, will soon be approved by the State Department.

The scramble has already begun to find the dollars to pay for American arms or to buy arms at black market prices in other countries if the State Department disapproves the list. The normal sources of hard currency—the UJA and Bond Drive—will hardly be enough. One jet fighter costs three-quarters of a million dollars.

Borrowing Again

We are back in the days before the \$85,000,000 consolidation loan when Israel Embassy and Treasury officials spent many hours in negotiations with private individuals to meet obligations due Monday morning. They will be doing the same thing again to raise money for arms. Despite the success of the UJA and Bond Drive, there is a great untapped reservoir of Jewish wealth and of Jewish patriotism for Israel in this country. Ever since the armistice was launched in Israel, I have noticed day after day the names of Americans who mailed unsolicited, non-tax-deductible cheques from this country. A way must be found to tap this source of funds on an organized basis.

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